

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER THIRTY - FIVE

WHEREAS, thousands of community non-profit organizations throughout the state provide invaluable services across a broad spectrum of needs; and

WHEREAS, Iowans have created these organizations through their ingenuity and commitment to providing much needed services to friends and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, this state cannot grow economically or maintain a high quality of life without vigorous and effective non-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that the people of Iowa understand, appreciate and support these community non-profit organizations, particularly in times of economic stress:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas J. Vilsack, by the power in vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Iowa, do hereby establish a *Governor's Non-profit Taskforce*. This *Taskforce* shall assess the present and potential role of Iowa's nonprofit sector in advancing the vitality of communities throughout the state. The *Taskforce* shall identify the barriers to achieving the nonprofit sector's full potential. The *Taskforce* shall also develop and submit a set of recommendations describing how non-profit organizations can be more effective in their operations, and how their services can be enhanced through collaborations with the business community and government entities. Lastly, the *Taskforce* shall recommend methods to increase citizen involvement in non-profit activities throughout the state.

The Governor's Non-profit Taskforce shall be comprised of Iowa citizens representing all types of voluntary non-profit organizations, the business sector, the public and representatives of the General Assembly.

The Governor's Non-profit Taskforce shall submit a written report to this office outlining its findings, conclusions, and recommendations by December 31, 2004.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of Iowa to be affixed. Done at Des Moines this 30th day of January, in the year of our Lord two thousand four.

THOMAS J VILSACK GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

CHESTER J. CULVER SECRETARY OF STATE